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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2002, the due date being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 11 and 16 as follows:

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11. (Amended) An inspection apparatus using an electron beam according to claim 10, further comprising:

a storage means for storing picture information conveyed by said electrical signal; and
a comparator for comparing pictures by using said picture information.

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